

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, South Dakota was founded with hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty, and concern for others and each of these attributes can be ascribed to Michael (Mike) L. Ryan, who has served over 32 years with the state of South Dakota; and,

*Whereas*, Mike's career in state government has provided quality alternative school education, workforce and career training, and employment services, and prior to state government, Mike served in the United States Army from 1971-1982 stationed in Germany and Taiwan in the Signal Communication Corps; and,

*Whereas*, Mike interned two summers with the Department of Labor (DOL), then joined the Department of Education in August 1985 where he advocated for children with special needs, and in 1995, Mike rejoined DOL and has since served in leadership roles directing the Workforce Investment Act and Field Operations; and,

*Whereas*, Mike has shown a sincere concern for his team's well-being, both professionally and personally, and his honesty, advice, and representation of field staff will be missed, in addition to his many hunting stories and wry sense of humor; and,

*Whereas*, Mike will retire on June 8, 2017, to spend more time with his wife, Susan, and family and plans to take additional hunting trips and expanding his gun collection; and,

*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper as Governor to make special note of this outstanding South Dakotan on this momentous occasion:

*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 8, 2017, as

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in South Dakota, and I join his family, friends, and colleagues in offering him best wishes for an enjoyable retirement.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifteenth Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

*Dennis Daugaard*  
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

*Shantel Krebs*  
Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State